

(MR. SPEAKER)

only to India but also to the whole world and we in India have a special reason to bemoan the said demise. I know all the hon. Members share with me this great sense of loss sustained by the nation.

I shall send the heart-felt condolence of this House to the family of the bereaved. As a mark of respect to the great scientist, I request the hon. Members to stand in silence for two minutes.

The House stood in silence for two minutes.

MR. SPEAKER.—As a mark of respect to the departed souls, the House will now rise for half-an-hour and meet at 1-35 P.M.

The House rose at Five Minutes past One of the clock and re-assembled at Thirty-five Minutes past One of the clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

**Recognition of the Congress (R) Party as the Opposition Party and
Sri H. Siddaveerappa as Leader of the opposition.**

MR. SPEAKER.—I have an announcement to make. Hon'ble Members might remember that the Samyukta Vidhayak Dal consisting of 47 members was recognised as the main Opposition Party and its Leader Sri S. Shivappa as the Leader of the Opposition. Thereafter many changes have taken place in the complexion of the party position in the Assembly and the affiliations of members to various parties. To-day, I have received a communication from Sri S. Sivappa, Leader of the Samyukta Vidhayak Dal that in the meeting to-day they have decided to dissolve the Samyukta Vidhayak Dal and that the Samyukta Vidhayak Dal stands dissolved from to-day. Sri Sivappa has also intimated about his resignation as the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly.

Now the Congress-R party which consists of 39 members is more than the number of members of any other opposition party in the Assembly. Since this group of 39 members of the Congress-R party fulfils all the conditions for recognition as an Opposition Party, I recognise the Congress-R Party as the main Opposition Party and also, its Leader Sri H. Siddaveerappa as the Leader of the Opposition.

I recognise the Praja Socialist Party which consists of 17 members, as a group in the Legislative Assembly and its Leader Sri S. Sivappa, as the Leader of that Party.

Seating arrangements for various parties will be made in due course.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಬಿ. ಜ್ಯಾಲನಯ್ಯ (ಹಾಸನ).—ತಾವು ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ (ಆರ್) ಅವರಿಗೆ ಜಾಗಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಅದು ಸರಿ. ಆದರೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಮಾಡಿದ ಹಾಗೆ ನನ್ನ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಗೂ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಅರೆಂಜ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿತ್ತು. ನಮ್ಮ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಗೆ ಅದೇ ರೀತಿಯಾಗಿ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬಿದ್ದರೆ, ಡಿಸ್ಟಿಂಕ್ಟಿನ್‌ನೇಷನ್ ಮಾಡಿದಹಾಗಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ತಾವು ಒಂದು ಪಕ್ಷಕ್ಕೆ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಇಲ್ಲ ಅರಾಟ್ ಮಾಡಿದಮೇಲೆ ನನ್ನ ಪಕ್ಷಕ್ಕೂ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಅರಾಟ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿತ್ತು.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I am sorry for the inconvenience caused to hon. Members. Block of seats will be arranged on the basis of parties. I received a communication from the Congress (R) about the allotment of seats only half-an-hour back. It is therefore not possible to make seating arrangement within such a short period. Seating arrangement will have to be made for the Praja Socialist party and that will be done immediately in consultation with that Party.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಬಿ. ಜ್ಯಾಲನಯ್ಯ.—ತಾವು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಶಿವಪ್ಪನವರಿಗೆ ಕಮ್ಯೂನಿಕೇಷನ್ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಮೇಲೆ ನಾನು ನನ್ನ ಪಕ್ಷದ ಲೀಡರ್ ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿ ತಪುಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿರುವಾಗ ತಾವು ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಕೇಳಬೇಕಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಅದನ್ನು ತಾವು ಮಾಡಲಿಲ್ಲ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Though I recognise you as a leader of the Swathanthra Party, I am sorry the strength of your Party is not adequate to be recognised as a group. I am however accommodating you as a Leader of the Swathanthra Party.

Dharna by the members of the M.E.S.

ಶ್ರೀ ವೀರೇಂದ್ರ ಪಾಟೀಲ್ (ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು).—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ.....

Sri B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—I raise a point of order under Rule 311(2). The Government of Mysore has called this Assembly to discuss the Border issue which has already been referred to Parliament and any discussion this Assembly is going to have will become unconstitutional. The Chief Minister has also stated that he is not going to allow any part of the State to go out. This is an impertinent statement.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I am not going to allow you to speak.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—If you are not going to allow me to speak I am going to stage a Dharna in the Assembly chambers. The Central Government has done justice in referring the matter to the Parliament.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I am not going to allow you to speak any further.

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಾಟೀಲ್ ನಾಗರಾಜ್.—ಮಹಾರಾಷ್ಟ್ರ ಏಕೀಕರಣ ಸದಸ್ಯರ ಸ್ಪಂಟ್ ಇಮು.

[Sri B. B. Sayanak came and sat in the aisle in front of the Chair]

Mr. SPEAKER.—I direct the hon. Member to go to his seat.

Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—Mr. Speaker.....